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In re Application of: )  
DYER, Wallace K. )  
Serial No. 09/943,138 ) Art Unit: 1639  
Filed: August 30, 2001 ) Examiner: EPPERSON, Jon D.  
For: Methods and Compositions for )  
Tissue Augmentation )

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
AS FILED WITH THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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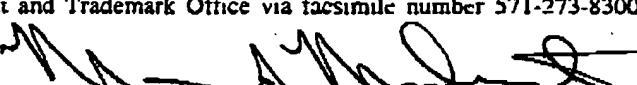
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Sir:

As the Submission required with the Request for Continued Examination, Applicants herein respond to the Final Office Action mailed March 2, 2005, and request this Response, filed August 2, 2005, by virtue of a two months extension of time fee and petition, be entered. Applicants enclose herewith a petition for a two month extension of time, and request the applicable fee be charged to the Deposit Account as indicated on the transmittal. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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